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SUBJECT: SOVIET ATTACK ON PRC IN GDR PARTY ORGAN

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1. PERHAPS REFLECTING CONCERN OVER POSSIBILITY OF PRC' S
UPSETTING TIMETABLE OF SOVIET WESTERN EUROPEAN POLICY
REFTELS), APRIL 14 NEUES DEUTSCHLAND (ND) FRONT- PAGED
ARTICLE BY TASS DIRECTOR ZAMYATIN WHICH STRONGLY ATTACKS
ALLEGED PRC OBSTRUCTIONISM REGARDING SOVIET EFFORTS FOR DETENTE
IN EUROPE. FACT THAT ZAMYATIN ALSO PRESIDENT OF SOVIET- FRG
FRIENDSHIP SOCIETY AND TIMING OF ARTICLE TO COINCIDE WITH
ARRIVAL OF FIRST FRG AMBASSADOR IN PRC SUGGEST PURPOSE OF
ARTICLE MAY ALSO BE TO WARN FRG AGAINST TOO CLOSE A
RELATIONSHIP WITH PEKING.

2. ARTICLE BEGINS WITH LISTING OF SUCH ACHIEVEMENTS OF SOVIET
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DETENTE POLICY AS CONFIRMATION OF INVIOABILITY OF EXISTING BORDERS IN EUROPE, BREAKING OF DIPLOMATIC BLOCKAGE OF GDR, SIGNING OF TREATY ON RELATIONS BETWEEN TWO SOVEREIGN GERMAN STATES, CONCLUSION OF SERIES OF AGREEMENTS CONCERNING " WESTBERLIN", AND FAVORABLE DEVELOPMENT OF TRADE BETWEEN EUROPEAN STATES. IT ALSO NOTES, HOWEVER, THAT MUCH REMAINS TO BE DONE, INCLUDING IN FIELD OF REDUCTION OF ARMAMENTS AND FORCES IN EUROPE AND OF NORMALIZATION OF FRG- GDR RELATIONS " ON BASIS OF FULL EQUALITY AND INDEPENDENCE" OF TWO GERMAN STATES. IN LATTER CONNECTION, IT POINTS OUT THAT ONE OF MOST IMPORTANT STEPS WILL BE ADMISSION OF GDR AND FRG TO UN.

3. ARTICLE THEN PROCEEDS WITH LENGTHY AND SHARP ATTACK ON PRC, ASSERTING PEKING MAKING EVERY EFFORT TO OBSTRUCT AND EVEN TORPEDO EFFORTS TO PROMOTE DETENTE AND COOPERATION IN EUROPE, AS WELL AS TO PORTRAY USSR AS PURSUING ITS OWN SELFISH OBJECTIVES. IN FACT, ARTICLE MAINTAINS, CHINESE OPPOSITION TO WARSAW AND MOSCOW TREATIES INDICATES PEKING'S VIEWS ARE SAME AS THOSE OF FRG RIGHT- WINGERS LED BY STRAUSS. IN ADDITION, ARTICLE CHARGES PRC WITH MISREPRESENTING SOVIET MIDDLE EAST POLICY AS SOVIET EXPANSIONISM IN MEDITERRANEAN AND THUS LENDING SUPPORT TO ISRAEL.

4. IN SUPPORT OF HIS THESIS, ZAMYATIN CITIES FAVORABLE CHINESE COMMENTS ON UK DEFENSE WHITE BOOK, ASSERTING PRC WISHES UNDERMINE VIENNA NEGOTIATIONS AND HAVE NATO REMAIN AS MILITARY GROUPING AIMED AGAINST USSR AND OTHER SOCIALIST STATES. POSSIBLY AS A SIGN OF SOVIET UNHAPPINESS OVER FRENCH STANCE ON MBFR AND US MILITARY PRESENCE IN EUROPE, HE ALSO NOTES GO MO JO' S (GERMAN SPELLING) STATEMENT TO A FRENCH DELEGATION LAST DECEMBER IN WHICH LATTER ALLEGEDLY ADVISED WEST EUROPEAN POLICY- MAKERS NOT TO GO TOO FAR IN REDUCING TENSIONS AND THUS RISK FALLING UNDER SOVIET DOMINATION, BUT RATHER TO CONTINUE RELYING ON AMERICAN NUCLEAR UMBRELLA. KLEIN

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